

If you are visiting today, welcome!



We invite you to fill out a Connection Card found in the pew and place it in the offering plate. Members of the church leadership are always available to answer questions you may have. Please feel free to call (860) 647-9141 or e-mail office@southumc.com if you would like to learn more about the church or how you can get plugged in. We also invite you to join us for a time of fellowship following the 9:30 am service in Reception Hall, located next to the Sanctuary.



Now you can give using a text message!

Using your cell phone you can send a gift to the church by text message. The number is 860-512-7185 - then type in the text message the amount of your gift followed by one of the key words.

For general giving - \$ amount SUMC  
Other key words are UMCOR, BLANKET and WATER



Our sermons on YouTube are now accessible directly from our Church Website! ([www.southumc.com](http://www.southumc.com)) Click the link at the bottom of our Home page or on the Sermon Podcast page, and you will be taken to all of our uploaded sermons!!

### GIFTS OF LOVE .... A SHOP

"Gifts of Love" is a new kind of shop opening for us in September. The purpose of the shop is to give us great things to buy at reasonable prices while also providing support to local, national and world-wide crafts people who may otherwise struggle to provide for themselves.

Hours of operation will be for 30 minutes immediately after the Traditional Service in Reception Hall and after The Café Service

near the Hallway door. Salespeople for the shop will wear specially-designated aprons and be happy to answer your questions or finalize your purchase. Purchases from the shop can be made with cash or check.

If you have questions about the shop or would be able to volunteer to work at the shop (no long term commitment required), please contact Nancy Dawson at 860-978-5480 or by email at [dawsonaff@gmail.com](mailto:dawsonaff@gmail.com). Watch for further information and the Grand Opening date!

### Next Gen Updates

**Youth:** It has been a wild and crazy summer for our Youth, and we're ready to kick off the new year beginning the 2nd weekend in September! We will be welcoming our new 7th Graders into the fold and invite Parents of 7th Graders to get in touch with JT so that he can make you aware of all the Youth happenings. His phone # is 623-670-2612. Please be praying that God will continue all the good things that He has been doing in the lives of our Youth!

Sept 1<sup>st</sup> NO Youth Group - Labor Day Weekend  
Sept 8<sup>th</sup> Youth Group @5pm  
Sept 15<sup>th</sup> Youth Group @5pm



### Hi Ho Fair Saturday, November 2nd

Although the fair isn't for 2 months, plans are already underway. Here's how you can help:

**PLANTS** - contact Marilyn Broneill at 860 649-9843  
If your houseplants or perennials need splitting, please consider potting them and donating them for the plant table at the fair. They can be brought in starting October 20th.

**COUNTRY STORE** - contact Nancy Dawson at 860-978-5480 or [dawsonaff@gmail.com](mailto:dawsonaff@gmail.com)

Please consider making fresh or preserved jams, jellies, homemade catsup, and/or pickles. If you can, please use organic fruits and vegetables. Some diabetic-friendly options would be great! Other welcome contributions could be baked beans, homemade sausage, hostess gifts, "desserts in a jar" and/or handcrafted soup mixes. Also, please donate small wicker baskets. Please contact Nancy to discuss your ideas and how we can bring them to life.

**BAKED GOODS & CANDY** - Once we get closer to fair time, we will be looking for homemade cookies, baked goods, fudge, candies and other perishables. More info will be coming.

As we head into fall, please keep the fair in mind, and think about how you can help. Remember, all the profits from the Hi Ho Fair go toward various mission projects, locally, nationally and internationally.

If you need further information, contact the person listed with each booth or call Ginny Hartzog at 860 646-3962 (or [ginhartz@gmail.com](mailto:ginhartz@gmail.com)) or Marilyn Broneill at 860 649-9843.



### ~ SPIRIT SUNDAY ~

Sunday, September 8  
one 10am Service (in the Sanctuary)

\*Wildfire Worship Band

\*Chancel Choir will return

Immediately following the service we will hold a short dedication service of The Virginia Ryan Next Gen Home at 21 Hartford Rd

We hope and pray you will join us for this special occasion in the life of our church!



### South Church Name Badges

are now available to anyone who would like one.

**\$10 suggested donation**

See Terry Marshall or contact her at 860-647-9141 ext 15  
([terry@southumc.com](mailto:terry@southumc.com))



"Thank you to all who generously donated children's books to **Building Healthy Families!** We will be giving the books away to children and parents attending our Kids Fair on Saturday, September 14."

### STOP THE BLEED, SAVE A LIFE

SUMC will be hosting a Basic Stop the Bleed Class in Cooper Hall on Thursday, September 19<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 9:00pm.

Anyone interested in attending may contact Dave Bidwell, at [dbbidwell@gmail.com](mailto:dbbidwell@gmail.com) or call/text 860-508-6536 with questions or to sign up. Please sign up before September 4<sup>th</sup>.

Stop the Bleed is a national awareness campaign and call-to-action. Stop the Bleed is intended to cultivate grassroots efforts that encourage bystanders to become trained, equipped, and empowered to help in a bleeding emergency before professional help arrives.

To find out more about Stop the Bleed you may visit: [www.bleedingcontrol.com](http://www.bleedingcontrol.com)